

22. (New) The replaceable ink container assembly as recited in claim 21, wherein the first coupling component is configured so as to be at least partially inserted into the second coupling component.

23. (New) The replaceable ink container assembly as recited in claim 21, wherein the first coupling component is configured so as to facilitate a flow of ink therethrough when the reservoir is formed so as to have a base which is substantially flat where ink enters the reservoir.

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~~24. (New) An ink jet printer comprising:  
a container configured to hold ink;  
a first coupling component of a duplex coupler formed to the container;  
a reservoir configured to receive ink from the container;  
a complimentary second coupling component of the duplex coupler formed to the reservoir;  
and  
wherein the first coupling component is configured to mate with the second coupling component, so as to mitigate leakage of ink.~~

25. (New) The ink jet printer as recited in claim 24, wherein the first coupling component is configured so as to be at least partially inserted into the second coupling component.

26. (New) The ink jet printer as recited in claim 24, , wherein the first coupling component is configured so as to facilitate a flow of ink therethrough when the reservoir is formed so as to have a base which is substantially flat where ink enters the reservoir.

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~~27. (New) A method for operating an ink jet printer, the method comprising:  
providing a container configured to hold ink, the container having a first coupling component of a duplex coupler formed thereto;  
providing a reservoir configured to receive ink from the container, the reservoir having a complimentary second coupling component of the duplex coupler formed thereto; and~~

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facilitating a flow of ink from the container to the reservoir through the duplex connector.

28. (New) The method as recited in claim 27, wherein the first coupling component is configured so as to be at least partially inserted into the second coupling component.

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29. (New) The method as recited in claim 27, wherein the first coupling component is configured so as to facilitate a flow of ink therethrough when the reservoir is formed so as to have a base which is substantially flat where ink enters the reservoir.

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